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REMARKS

Claims 1-80 were pending in this application. In response to the *Restriction Requirement* mailed November 19, 2007, Applicant elects the invention identified by the Examiner as Invention I, corresponding to Claims 1-42, 52-68, and 73-76. Accordingly, Claims 43-51, 69-72, and 77-80 have been withdrawn.

Applicant further elects the species identified by the Examiner as Species I, defined by the Examiner as corresponding to a stent. Claims 1-41, 52-61, 63, 68 and 74 read on Species I. Accordingly Claims 42, 62, 64-67, 73, 75-76 have been withdrawn. Applicant notes that several claims currently pending are generic to Species II, as defined by the Examiner. Therefore, Applicant does not concede that the Claims reading on the elected species are limited thereto.

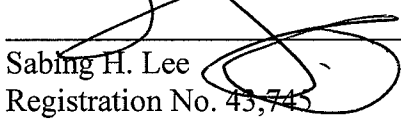
Applicant further elects the subspecies identified by the Examiner as subspecies B, defined by the Examiner as corresponding to a 2 membrane layer. Claims 1-41, 54-61, 63, 68, and 74 read on subspecies B of species I as defined by the Examiner. Accordingly, Claims 52-53 have been withdrawn.

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